



# EMC News

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## COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Many of you already know me as a member of the EMC representing the Town of Ulysses. I started a new job working in the Tompkins County Planning Department in February and one of my BIG responsibilities will be coordinating the EMC. My other projects include the County's housing and economic development grant programs.

I have a newly minted master's degree in Urban Planning from NYU. I am originally from Berkeley, California where I received my BA in Sociology. I have lived in Los Angeles, Chicago and New York City pursuing various cooperative housing development opportunities. I also spent a memorable year in the Bronx as an environmental organizer on New York City's watershed. I intend to settle down in Ithaca and enjoy my new job and more rural surroundings.

I look forward to continuing to work with the EMC in my new capacity. If you know anyone in Ulysses, there is a vacancy on the EMC that potentially has his or her name on it.

*submitted by Heather McDaniel*

**See you at the next EMC Meeting!**

April 10, 2002

## CORNELL WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - LIAISON

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine Waste Management Facility has been completed. Cornell will hold a public hearing regarding the DEIS at the Holiday Inn in downtown Ithaca, on Wednesday, April 10, 2002, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The date listed in the last EMC News was incorrect.

*submitted by Kenny Christianson*

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE

On March 19, at the Town of Ithaca Planning Board meeting, Karen Edelstein presented the GIS map and preliminary documentation describing the qualities of proposed UNA # 193. This was a public hearing regarding the Cornell Alumni playing fields behind Reis Tennis Center. The new proposal has major changes, including the reduction of the "Hawthorne Orchard" disturbance from 6.6 acres to 1/10 of one acre. Karen's suggestion that construction be halted when migrant birds were present was well received.

*submitted by Stephen Nicholson*

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

At our March 26 meeting the Environmental Review Committee heard from Kenny Christianson about the Cornell Veterinary Medicine Waste Management Facility DEIS. The committee agreed to draft a letter in support of the positive developments reflected in this document.

We also agreed upon a final draft of additional comments regarding our recommendations about gas leasing on County lands for the TC Planning Committee. These were solicited in light of considerations by the County on specific gas leasing and related proposals. We will report on these at the next EMC meeting.

*submitted by Steve Uzmann*

## NO REPORTS SUBMITTED

*Chair's Report*

*Energy Committee*

*Executive Committee*

*Pesticide Neighbor Notification Committee*

*Public Safety Communication System Committee*

